**“100% AMERICAN” Essential Questions**

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**Civics**

**Name \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Block\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

1. What does it mean to you to be an American?

2. What do we have here in America that other countries don’t?

**Read:  One Hundred Percent American.**

3. What does this say about our country?

4. Does that change your views of Americanism?

5. How do we define ourselves separately if we are such a conglomeration of other cultures and heritage?

6. What is the origin of many of the foods, manner of dress, and features of our homes in the United States?

7. What does the origin of so much American culture illustrate about the United States?

8. Upon recognizing this pattern in American culture, how has it affected the makeup of the people who are “Americans”?

9. If this pattern of adoption and change in what is “100% American” continues, how will this likely affect the United States?

10. This article was written in 1937; how would someone from 1937 find strange about what is now considered “100% American”?

11. What would it be like to be a newly-arrived immigrant to the United States, in terms of adapting to the American culture?

12. Recognize and describe the origins of some cultural items (food, clothing, lifestyle, etc.) that are an important part of your “100% American” life?